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FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

This First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement supplements the Information Disclosure Statement that was filed March 17, 2004 by bringing to the attention of the Office a recently issued patent that has just come to the attention of the Applicant.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(e)(2), the person signing this document certifies that no item of information contained in this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application (there are no counterpart foreign applications); and, to the knowledge of the person signing this certification after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing

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of this First Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

In view of the fact that the reference listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 form came to the attention of the Applicant only recently, and in view of the certification presented just above, it is requested that the art cited herewith be considered by the Examiner and made "of record" during the examination of this application.

While it is believed that the claimed subject matter of the above-identified application distinguishes patentably over all of the references and information that has been brought to the attention of the Office, the Examiner's careful review is respectfully requested.

While no fee payment is believed to be needed, if a fee must be paid in order to permit the art cited herewith to be considered, authorization is given by the undersigned attorney of record to charge such fee to Deposit Account No. 02-4700 maintained by the firm of David A. Burge Co., L.P.A.

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